

MORTON HAS NO SAY IN EXCISE.

Realizes That the Machine Will Run the New Bureau.

Suggestion of Platt's Man Hilarious for Deputy Satisfies Him of This.

The Thought of "Jake" Worth Controlling the Brooklyn Patronage a Bitter Pill for the Governor.

COLONEL LYMAN IS SWORN IN.

The New Commissioner Who Will Be Ready for Active Work in About Ten Days—Receives Many Applications.

Albany, April 2.—The new Excise Bureau is already proving a source of serious annoyance to Governor Morton. He is being made to feel that the Republican machine proposes to run this according to its own ideas. Commissioner Lyman, whom he appointed to take charge of the bureau, fled away almost immediately to see Mr. Platt in reference to the organization of the bureau, and the selection of the men who are to fill the places under him.

It appears that the Governor had an idea that the bureau would be controlled about as much as the old one, with reference to the selection of the Deputy Commissioner, and the selection of the men who are to fill the places under him. Instead of this, he has seen the Commissioner seeking instruction of the Republican machine leaders and begin his administration by adopting true machine methods. He has also seen the machine leaders get together in the metropolises and decide on the man to hold the high and important position of special deputy for the great City of New York. It has not added to his complacency to learn that this choice is George Hillard, the old "Jake" Peterson leader, a politician of the most practical kind, who is assigned a place in political history in the metropolises as a sort of Tammany annex whenever the vicissitudes of the machine make it desirable.

THE GOVERNOR ANNOYED.

The Governor's uneasiness and annoyance has been deepened by the reports that "Jake" Worth, the old machine leader in Albany, has forced his way to the front and will control the excise patronage in spite of the "reform" administration. What makes the Brooklyn dose and to swallow is the Governor's belief that Worth was an original machine man in this important locality, started from making mischief been assured that the excise would be his own to dispose of.

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was denied to-day that Speaker Fish's clerk, Mr. Roehr, of Brooklyn, was after the excise deputyship for that city. He intends to tread the path of political preference by way of the Assembly to the office of Lieutenant Governor, if he has a run of luck that is the equal of his ambition. The appointment will therefore be looked after by Mr. Worth, as previously indicated.

NO SUPPLEMENTAL BILL.

Senator Raines again said to-day that he did not expect to see any supplemental legislation. The amendments to the law which were given to Senator Paige by the delegation from the Arion Club, of New York, on behalf of the clubmen, repose in a dark corner of Senator Raines's desk. He declines to say whether he thinks the clubs should have hotel privileges under the new law, as the amendments provide.

OLD ROOKERY IS UNSAFE.

Two Persons Injured by the Fall of a Ceiling in a Jefferson Street Building.

Abraham Penn, aged twenty-three, of No. 236 Cherry street, was severely injured, and Ida Gordon, aged nineteen, of No. 128 1/2 Monroe street, was badly cut about the right hand by the fall of a portion of the ceiling at No. 4 Jefferson street yesterday afternoon.

The house, which stands on the corner of East Broadway and Jefferson street, is an old one, and it is literally tumbling to pieces. The housekeeper, who lives in the basement, said last night that Mr. Kempner, of No. 71 East Sixty-first street, who is the landlord, had been frequently implored to put it in decent repair, but more to the requests of the tenants.

Harris Hurwitz, a tailor, rents the first floor, and the injured man and girl work for him. The room in which they were killed was in the most wretched condition. The floor is giving way and will hardly bear the weight of the men in which they were killed. The walls exhibit ominous yawning cracks, and the centrepiece is suggestive of impending collapse. During the day the house contains fully half a hundred people.

Ben and Ida Gordon were sitting side by side at their machines yesterday when the ceiling fell upon them. The ceiling was made of rotten wood about eight feet square, consisting of thick plaster and rafters fell upon them. The man was crushed into unconsciousness. An ambulance was summoned and he was taken to Gouverneur Hospital, where it was found that his chest and back were badly bruised and cut.

The Gordon escaped with many severe cuts, but no broken bones. He is in constant fear of his flooring giving way, and the rest of the tenants say that there is much danger that the whole place will fall.

WRECKED BY NATURAL GAS.

Explosion Follows a Woman's Attempt to Light It in a Range.

Patton, N. Y., April 2.—While Mrs. Boon was lighting natural gas in a kitchen range to-day she narrowly escaped death from explosion. She experienced some difficulty at first in getting the gas to ignite, but finally went into the sitting room to await the warming of the heater. She returned a few minutes later, and finding the gas out, supposed that in the short time which elapsed since she first applied the match the gas had escaped, and applied another match. A terrific explosion followed. The entire top ends of the range were thrown in every possible direction. Mrs. Boon was hit by flying pieces and escaped further injuries by flight. The sides of the room were shattered and the concussion broke the windows. Mrs. Boon's injuries will not prove fatal, although of a painful nature.

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The Collection Shows Many Radical Departures from Former Styles and Colors.

REVERSIBLE WALKING GARMENTS.

With a Twist of the Wrist One Can Turn Them into Broad-Belted Gowns. Suits—Loud Patterns are Predominant.

The exhibition rooms of the Merchant Tailors' Society, at No. 24 Fifth avenue, were crowded yesterday. Probably no more varied collection of clothes has ever been exhibited in this country. The racks and dummies were loaded to the guards, and the homespun and imported goods fairly scintillated with high-class trousers and well-blendings.

Among the newest attractions was the reversible golf and walking suits. The golf garment, when ready for occupancy, presented a wide gray check, about three to the coat and two to the trousers. The coat was Norfolk shape, and the belt looked like a life preserver. By a simple twist of the wrist it was turned inside out, and a modest gray, neatly trimmed walking suit appeared. It caught the eye of the anguillians, and was a big drawing card.

No less interesting was the double-breasted waistcoat that buttons in several places and fits the wearer like a glove. All waistcoats this year of the double-breasted variety will be so cut as to present a military appearance.

Special attention has been given to bicycle suits. Smoking jackets shown are made of double cloth, solid in color on one side, with a violent plaid on the other, so pressed as to present plaid cuffs and collars to view.

Business suits for this season are entirely new in pattern, three button cutaway coats with natural loose shoulders to prevail. Trousers will change in shape to reasonably tight-fitting, with straight bottoms and no spring. They will be almost straight up and down.

One will be worsted for evening dress conditions to hold the boots, and a new spring. Altogether it looks as if well dressers will have to acquire a new wardrobe to be in fashion.

WAS M'CROY MURDERED?

The Former Highwayman Believed to Have Been Waylaid in a Lonely Spot and Thrown Over a Cliff.

Huntington, W. Va., April 2.—A few weeks ago Frank K. McCoy, a member of the notorious McCoy family, who for years kept alive the feud across the Kentucky borders with the Hatfield family, moved from the big sandy county to this county, taking up his abode on Merritt's Creek, fifteen miles from here, and settling down to a peaceful occupation.

Last night McCoy was in this city on private business and at 1 o'clock started on horseback to return home. Since then he has not been seen. This morning McCoy's horse was found browsing at the roadside on the bank of Merritt's Creek, about eight miles from here. The horse's bridle, saddle, blanket, and sides were scattered about. A short distance away a pool of blood was found in the road, and from footprints led to the banks of Merritt's Creek.

McCoy is supposed to have been surprised and murdered and his body thrown into the creek. McCoy was supposed to have money with him and this may account for the murder.

TO-DAY'S RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

Today, Good Friday, will be observed with services in St. Patrick's Cathedral. The "Miserere," by Rheinberger, and the "Benedictus," from the Sixtine Chapel collection, will be sung by a choir of two hundred voices. Services will be held in all of the Catholic and Protestant Episcopal churches to-day. Yesterday being Holy Thursday, services were held in all Roman Catholic and nearly all Protestant Episcopal churches. A Pontifical mass was celebrated in the Cathedral by Archbishop Corrigan.

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Among the most popular breweries in New York is the P. & M. Schaefer Brewing Company, Park avenue, 50th to 51st street. The purity of their beer is established by the highest chemical analysis. The Schaefer brand, "Wiener," "Lager Beer," and "Special Lager Beer," stand pre-eminent for excellence. This brewery commands an enormous family trade through its bottling department.

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WORK FOR A DOZEN.

Salvation Army's Friends Need Not Stand Aloof from the New Organization.

So Argue Mr. and Mrs. William H. Wanamaker of Philadelphia, Who are Auxiliary Members.

THEY LOVE THE BALLINGTON BOOTHES.

"I Will Do All I Can to Help Them," Says Mr. Wanamaker, and Adds That He Stands Ready to Help Any Others With Records Like Theirs.

Philadelphia, April 2.—Mr. and Mrs. William H. Wanamaker have again announced that they will support Commander and Mrs. Ballington Booth, and say that they will aid the new organization to extend its work, and will do all in their power to encourage the idea on which it is based, at the same time not ceasing to be auxiliary members of the Salvation Army.

They were seen to-night at their home, No. 1625 Mt. Vernon avenue, and spoke freely of their relations with the Booths.

"I was one of the first of the citizens of Philadelphia to become interested in the Salvation Army," said Mr. Wanamaker, "and several years ago I was instrumental in having Mr. and Mrs. Ballington Booth extend their work to this city. I introduced them to the churches and helped them financially. I was one of the first to join the auxiliary workers, and I shall continue to be a member, for I regard the work of the Army as worthy the support of every good citizen. It is along a line in which the churches have not as yet been successful."

"My friendship for the Salvation Army has not changed. I regret very much that any changes were made in the management in this country. Notwithstanding these differences, I rejoice that Commander and Mrs. Ballington Booth's great and very valuable services are not to be lost to Christian work in our land. I have great confidence in their Christianity, their zeal and their good judgment. I do not believe that this new work they are seeking to inaugurate will be antagonistic to the Salvation Army. No such spirit was manifested by either Mr. or Mrs. Booth at the large meeting held in this city."

"As I understand it, the work they propose doing is along the same line as the work of the Salvation Army. Everybody who knows of this work must recognize the fact that there is enough for a dozen organizations. At the meeting in this city I was one of the first to join the new association, and was followed by six members of my family."

"I wish Godspeed to the Booths and their work and will do all I can to help them to success. I stand ready to help any other Christian organization led by people who have such a record as the Booths have won."

Mrs. Wanamaker spoke in kindest terms of Mr. and Mrs. Booth.

"We have entertained them here and we are very fond of them. I think Mrs. Booth is a very lovely woman. We are interested in them as we are in every one who is carrying on a good work. People seem to think there is something unusual in this, but I do not regard it so. As for the trouble that exists in the Army I know nothing of it. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Booth ever said anything to me of it. We do not belong to the Army itself; only to the auxiliary. We are Congregationalists and expect to remain so. There is really little to say, except that we are heartily in sympathy with the work carried on by Mr. and Mrs. Booth."

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L. A. W. STATE MEET AT UTICA.

It Will Be Held There in June and the Wheelway League of Oneida County Will Entertain Cyclists in a Royal Manner.

Albany, N. Y., April 2.—Wheelmen triumphed over the railroad during the session of the Senate to-day. The famous Bicycle Baggage bill was restored to the shape in which it was first introduced, in spite of the objections of the corporations.

The wheelmen have fought the railroads every inch of the way since the bill was introduced, and the corporations have used every means known to legislation to prevent its passage in any form that would protect the cyclists from oppression and extortion.

As the measure reached the Senate, it provided that the corporations could charge for carrying wheels at the rate of two mills per mile when no release was demanded, no charge, however, to be less than ten cents. When a release was signed the wheel was to be carried free.

Senator Ellsworth, the Republican leader, who has shown considerable interest in bicycle legislation, at once moved when the bill was reached to-day to strike out the amendments. He said this was only just, and that he would leave the bill as introduced by Assemblyman Armstrong, with the exception that only one wheel could be checked as personal baggage on a ticket.

Prompt opposition was made on behalf of the railroads by Senator Mullin. He argued that there should be a charge for carrying wheels, because they were a nuisance for the railroads to handle. They could not be transported like trunks or other baggage. The bill was passed as the wheelmen wanted it, regular baggage cars would have to be provided, and roads like the Central would lose from \$10,000 to \$30,000 a year as a result of the bill.

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